

Suzanne Labin

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To Mr/Allen Dulles

Washington

Dear Mr.Dulles

Recent conversations I had with several americans induce me to send you the following note. You might remember perhaps that I am a french political writer specialized on communism, and that I had the pleasure of meeting you twice during my visit to the States last winter. A study of mine on "The Techniques of Soviet Propaganda" has been recently published by the ~~American~~ Senate.

Those conversations dealt with the danger that Castro might, "one of these days", give a military base to the Soviets in Cuba. While all my interlocutors were of course well aware of this development, they all thought to it only as a possible future occurrence, assuming tacitely that it would materialize in the classic "normal" way of a diplomatic treaty being signed first and the action being undertaken after. All these interlocutors of mine seemed highly surprised, and upset, when I mentioned the possibility that said base could have been already convened, would now be prepared in deep secrecy, and disclosed only the very day when a full fledged soviet force would already be patrolling in it.

Then, of course, nobody could do anything any more to the fact.

I even pointed to a specific location : the deep water port of Cayo Largo, which had been denounced by a distinguished Cuban exile, Mr. Amedeo Parietta, former Director of the newspaper "El Mundo", as a forbidden zone where intense works are going on. And everybody has heard about the top secret, never opened, huge containers constantly going under severe guard from soviet ships through cuban harbours to unknown destinations in the Island.

I am pretty sure that the possibility I am stressing here has not escaped you. But my american interlocutors thought that it was too serious to let one rely on the assumption that it could have been overlooked, and urged me to make it that entirely certain by alerting the responsible people. I am therefore doing it through this note.

With my best regards and warmest personal souvenirs

Very truly yours

Suzanne Labin

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Remarks:

DCI received the attached letter from Mademoiselle Suzanne Labin who is a French political writer he has met on one or two occasions, and asked that it be forwarded to you for your information.

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